



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Mid-Michigan Chapter

October Secretary Report

Meeting Date: October 15, 2025

Format: Virtual

Attendees: Bob Schneider, Mary Bainbridge, Nora Gathman, Carl Granger, Eric Allen and Chris Johnson

Meeting Started: 2:30 pm

Meeting Ended: 3:30 pm

September Secretary's Report Review: Motion to approve September Secretary's Report by Bob. Seconded by Mary. Approved. Nora will post minutes on the website.

Treasurer Report: The August, September and October Treasury reports will be reviewed at the November meeting.

Past Meeting and Events

Heat Stress: Preparing For the Proposed Regulations. The virtual presentation was held on 9/30/25. Ben Block gave a great presentation. There were 15 attendees.

Advisory Group Meeting. TJ attended the 10/9/25 Advisory Group meeting. The topic revolved around the ability for safety programs and staff to "pivot" strategically when circumstances change.

Future Chapter Events

Best Practices to Prevent Legionella and other Opportunistic Plumbing Pathogens (Mary): The virtual presentation is confirmed for October 21, 12-1pm. Mary forwarded the details to U of M/Sparrow Hospital, the Restaurant and Hotel Association and shared it with Jackson Facilities Leadership. TJ shared it with his staff and Facilities Maintenance leadership. The group discussed other potential organizations that may have an interest in attending the presentation.

- Bob will reach out to the Michigan Manufacturers Association.
- Mary will reach out to the West Michigan Industrial Hygiene Society
- Eric will reach out to Michigan Industrial Hygiene Society and Michigan Safety Conference.

Mid-Michigan Chapter Coffee with MIOSHA: Confirmed for November 12, 9-11am at the Great Lakes Safety Training Center in Midland. Communication has been sent out from MIOSHA and the Mid-Michigan Chapter. Fire Chief Michael O'Brian has confirmed he can present on Lithium batteries. Eric will forward details to Nora so an updated communication can go out.

Status on previously identified topics

(December) **Ethics in Safety** (Craig) Follow up with Craig to confirm December date and details.

(January 2026) **AI & Safety Technologies** Carl noted Heather Chapman is a good contact for this topic. This could be scheduled for January. Carl mentioned Heather is from the Grand Rapids area so this could be a chance to partner with the West Michigan Chapter if we want to hold a hybrid session in a middle area.

Lithium-Ion Batteries – Eric has confirmed Fire Chief Michael O'Brian to present at the Coffee with MIOSHA on 11/14/25. TJ recently attended a presentation on Lithium-Ion batteries offered by Belfor. The focus was on the science of the batteries as well as the issues faced by responders when batteries go into thermal runaway. TJ is still working towards a presentation that is more focused on safe handling and storage.

- **First Aid/CPR** (TJ) - No update
- **Emergency Response Preparedness, Brittany Parks** (Bob) - No update

- SlipKnot (Bob) - No update
- Safety In Government, as Opposed to The Private Sector - On-Hold
- Carbon Monoxide (Carl) - No update
- Risk Management (Jeff Gray) - No update
- Evan Wing-Flaim Systems (Mary) - On-Hold

New Topic Ideas

Bob presented some new topic ideas for discussion and planning:

- Return-To-Work/Modified Duty – Carl is presenting on this in December and would be willing to present again, for February.
- OSHA Recommended Practices for a Safety & Health Program – MIOSHA has a similar training. Chris will reach out to his team to see if someone could present a condensed 2-hour session. This could be scheduled for March.
- Crane Inspections - We have a member who would be willing to present from the rental side. /What to expect when inspecting a crane or overhead lift and crane inspection protocol.
- Psychological Safety
- Mental Health
- Workers' Compensation
- Claims Management Best Practices
- Safety Designation Choices & Process
- 70E
- Electrical Safety
- Fall Protection, General Industry
- How To Start a Safety Program
- How To Enhance Your Safety Program
- Fire Protection & Sprinkler Systems

New Business

Board Meetings. Discussion on inviting members to Board Meetings. Meetings are open to all members, and it could be an effective way to get volunteers for leadership roles. Nora will post meeting notices on the Chapter website event page

Fall ROC. Regional Operating Committee meeting will take place 10/23-24/25. Carl is attending in person. Bob is planning to attend virtually, and Mary and Nora will fill in virtually as needed.

Michigan Safety Conference ASSP Joint-Michigan Chapter Meeting. The presentation for the joint meeting will be Soft Skills 101: Three Essential Personal Attributes for Safety Professionals. We will need to start planning for the booth.

Monthly website review: Nora will update with MIOSHA alliance announcement/photos and photos from Social Mixer.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will take place virtually November 19, 2025.

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Monthly Financial Report

Period Ending October 31

INCOME STATEMENT			
REVENUES (Cash Receipts)			
Dues		\$ 102.50	
Meeting Fees		\$ -	
Conference/Seminars		\$ -	
Special Project		\$ -	
Interest		\$ -	
Advertising	(Unrelated Business)	\$ -	
Sale of Products *	(Unrelated Business)	\$ -	
Sale of Services	(Unrelated Business)	\$ -	
Other		\$ -	
		REVENUE (Total Receipts)	\$ 102.50
EXPENSES (Cash Disbursements)			
MEETINGS:	Lunch/Dinner	\$ -	
	Speaker Gifts	\$ -	
	Other	\$ -	
CONF/SEMINAR:	Meals/Breaks	\$ -	
	Speaker Expenses	\$ -	
	Books & Materials	\$ -	
	Other	\$ -	
NEWSLETTER:	Printing	\$ -	
	Postage & Mailing	\$ -	
	Other	\$ -	
TRAVEL:	Officers	\$ -	
	Other	\$ -	
Publicity		\$ -	
Special Project		\$ -	
Administrative		\$ -	
Scholarship		\$ -	
Bank Fees		\$ -	
Web Hosting		\$ -	
Other		\$ -	
		EXPENSES (Total Disbursements)	\$ -
NET INCOME (Excess Receipts over Disbursements)			\$102.50
PREVIOUS MONTH/YEAR CASH BALANCE - Total Assets from Previous Month/Year			\$17,491.87
NEW CASH BALANCE - Previous Month/Year Cash Balance plus Net Income			\$17,594.37
Total Assets as of October 31/ Bank Balance			
	Savings	\$0.00	
	Checking	\$12,594.37	
	Other/CD	\$5,000.00	
	Deposit In Transit	\$0.00	
	(Outstanding Checks)	\$0.00	
NEW CASH BALANCE = Total Bank Balance		\$17,594.37	
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Chapter Treasurer (Print and Sign Name)		Date	